

DART Rider News Notice

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This DART Rider e-mail news notice is sent to you as part of our continuing effort to keep you aware of the services and programs we offer, and news, including service changes, rider alerts, and system changes and improvements

Tell Congress to Support the Transit Benefit – Due to Congressional inaction during last month's tax deliberations, the New Year ushered in a tax increase to public transit riders. Currently, commuters who use public transit, commuter buses and van pools may see their annual commuting costs increase by more than \$550 based on a bias in the tax code that benefits driving over taking public transit. In addition, the failure to extend the benefit has resulted in a tax liability increase for companies offering the benefit. Congress failed to pass the extension of the \$230 level for the monthly transit commuter benefit before the Dec. 31, 2011 deadline. The transit benefit has now dropped to \$125 per month per person while the parking benefit has increased to \$240 per month. As a DART rider you may be eligible for this transit tax benefit through your employer. Contact [Rideshare Delaware](#) for more information. Your support is needed now to preserve the transit portion of the commuter benefit. Public transit riders should tell Congress to support the commuter transit benefit as they resume negotiations to finalize the middle class payroll tax cut before it expires at the end of February. To show your support, please visit [Contact Your Reps in Congress](#)

Bus Route 32 Detour Notice - A crane will close Market Street between 8th and 9th Streets the entire day on Saturday, January 7, 2012. DART Bus Route 32 will be on detour when Market Street is closed. A notice will be posted at the outbound bus stop on Market Street at 8th Street informing passengers to board on Market Street on the far side of 8th Street during this detour.

Rider of the Month Contest – Rider nomination forms are available on the web at [Rider Entries](#), and at DART offices and transit stores. You can also call 1-800-652-DART, and pressing option

DART's Adopt-A-Shelter Community Partners Program – For more information on adopting a bus shelter, please visit [My Bus Shelter](#) on the web.

Turn our Bus into Your Moving Billboard – Contact [Gateway Outdoor](#) or call 302-757-1805

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